GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2437
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SETTLEMENT OF VARIOUS TRIBES IN A & N ISLANDS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Tribes from other parts of the country which have been acknowledged to have settled in Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(b) whether all or some of them have been deprived of the facilities meant for Tribals;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken to recognize them as Tribals and extend reservation facilities to thme?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) to (d) Some Oraon, Munda, Kharia, Dhanaka, etc. communities of Chotanagpur region of Jharkhand whœare known as Ranchi Community have settled in A & N Islands. They are not entitled to facilities meant forScheduled Tribes as they have not been specified as Scheduled Tribes in relation to these Islands.